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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL

DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS-Legislative Committee

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: 05/27/2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Daniel Cooper, LPCMH Presiding
Dr. Gregg Drevno (11:21 a.m. – 11:51 a.m.)
James Elder, LCDP
Dr. Rosemary Madl-Young

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. William Northey

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Cooper called the meeting to order at 11:11 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

<u>Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2015</u>

The Committee reviewed the March 25, 2015 legislative committee meeting minutes for approval. Mr. Elder moved, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried with Dr. Madl-Young abstaining.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Discussion Regarding Potential Future Revisions to LCDP Enabling Act</u>

Mr. Elder advised the Committee that there is an issue with how LCDP's are being reimbursed, particularly with Medicaid programs. He advised the committee that LCDP's need to operate under the supervisory protocol of the insurance companies. Ms. Singh advised the Committee that the Board has no authority regarding reimbursements.

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Dr. Madl-Young voiced her concern regarding the separation of licensure by domain in Delaware. For instance, Pennsylvania reviewed a variety of mental health professions, which fell under the umbrella of one license type. There is a parody between the LCDP and the LPCMH, as there is a great need for specialists who understand the addictions process. Dr. Madl-Young reported that the Delaware Certification Board is exploring how they can assist with the development of educational components at local higher education institutions.

Ms. Singh advised the Committee that issues pertaining to insurance and reimbursement, are outside of the Board's authority; such issues should be discussed within their professional organizations.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Meeting Date

The Committee did not schedule a future meeting at this time.

Adjournment

Dr. Madl-Young made a motion, seconded by Mr. Elder, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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